

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A subnet connection switching communication system made to switch connections of a plurality of terminals from one gate constituting a subnet to the other gate constituting a subnet different from said subnet for making communications, wherein said plurality of terminals ~~[[being]]~~ are grouped into a plurality of groups and the connections are switched while times are staggered said group by said group.

2. (Original) The subnet connection switching communication system according to claim 1, wherein the grouping is conducted by a VLAN, and an instruction for the connection switching is sent for said each group through the use of a function of said VLAN.

3. (Previously Presented) The subnet connection switching communication system according to claim 1, wherein an overlap range is provided where a communicable range connectable to the one gate and a communicable range connectable to the other gate overlap with each other, and all the connections of said

plurality of terminals are switched within a time period in which said plurality of terminals exist in said overlap range.

4. (Previously Presented) The subnet connection switching communication system according to claim 1, wherein said plurality of terminals are located in a mobile body to move with said mobile body.

5. (Currently Amended) The subnet connection switching communication system according to claim 4, wherein said mobile body includes an external communication means section for making communication with the one gate or the other gate and an internal communication means section for making communications with said plurality of terminals, said plurality of terminals making the connections through said external communication means section and said internal communication means section with the one gate or the other gate.

6. (Previously Presented) The subnet connection switching communication system according to claim 4, wherein said mobile body is a train including a plurality of cars, and a plurality of terminals located in at least one of said plurality of cars are

set as one of said groups, and the grouping is made with said each car.